

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on line 5 of page 5 of the specification as follows:

The horizontal rectangular bed frame 1 includes a pair of parallel longitudinal side walls 1a and a pair of opposed transverse end walls 1b. The bottom of the rectangular frame 1 is closed by a bottom wall 4, thereby to define a open-topped enclosed space in which is mounted a lattice means 2 for supporting the bed mattress (not shown). The lattice means 2 comprises a plurality of parallel spaced longitudinally extending support slats 3 that are vertically oriented within the enclosed space adjacent the bottom wall 4. Extending transversely above the support slats 3 are a plurality of horizontal parallel spaced cross slats 9. As will be described in greater detail below, the support slats and cross slats define a plurality of insulating air chambers 5 within the enclosed space. The side walls 1a and the end 1b of the frame are connected by corner sections 6, as will be described below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 14 as follows:

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14. A bed frame for supporting a mattress, comprising:

- (a) a rigid horizontal rectangular frame (1) including opposed pairs of parallel spaced vertically oriented longitudinal side (1a) and transverse end (1b) walls, respectively;
- (b) a planar wooden bottom wall (4) connected with the bottom of said frame to define an open-topped enclosed space;
- (c) lattice means (2) cooperating with said wooden bottom wall to define in said enclosed space a plurality of insulating air chambers (5), said lattice means including:
 - (1) a plurality of parallel spaced horizontally-arranged vertically oriented support slats (3) arranged in said enclosed space normal to and extending between a first parallel pair of said frame walls; and